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Following is the legend to the sketch on page 3:

1. The road to Byala (N 43-27, E 25-44), cobblestoned and six meters wide.

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2. Caserne of the Bulgarian Danube Navy

the caserne's ordnance shop. All guns and rifles which belonged to the Voluntary Organization for Defense Assistance (Dobrovolna Organizatsiya za Sudeistvie na Otbrana - DOSO) were repaired in this ordnance shop. The rifles were used for target practice. See page 4 for source's memory sketch of this caserne on which he identified:

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a. The ordnance shop and guard detail station. Guards at this station patrolled the caserne and the nearby shore area where naval river craft were anchored (see Point 3 on page 3). This building was single-storied, stuccoed, and measured 25x5x3m.

(1) The ordnance shop where source took his rifle to be repaired; two Bulgarian Navy lieutenants and three sailors did the repairs. The shop had only a few small machine tools for small-bore gun repairs.

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(2) Duty officer's office and the guard detail station.

- b. Bulgarian naval headquarters, sailor's quarters, and the mess hall. This building was a two or three-story stucco building which measured 60x10x10m. Source believes that approximately 300 personnel were stationed at this caserne because he had observed naval formations on street parades during holidays from the caserne. [redacted] this headquarters was responsible for the security of the entire Bulgarian Danube shore and that observation posts along the Danube reported all ship navigation activities to this headquarters. Observation posts were located at Silistra (N 44-08, E 27-17), Svishtov (N 43-37, E 25-19), Lom (N 43-49, E 23-12), and Vidin (N 44-00, E 22-51). [redacted] Silistra, [redacted] about 10 sailors were stationed there.

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- c. The ship motor repair shop performed maintenance on the Bulgarian naval river craft which were stationed nearby (Point 3). The repair shop was housed in a two-story stuccoed building, 10-12x7x8m.
3. The anchorage for the Bulgarian river fleet had no docks; the ships anchored themselves flush with the river bank. Source estimated that this fleet consisted of 25 ships. Twenty ships were 15 m long while five ships were 25 m long. All of these ships carried identical 37mm guns fore and aft; the small ships also carried two 12-14 mm machine guns. All of this armament had been manufactured during World War II.
4. Border security troop headquarters were located on Demeter Blagoev Street; this building was two-story, stuccoed, and measured 30x10x10m. [redacted] therefore, sure of its identity and purpose; however, [redacted] no data on the personnel working there or on the specific functions of the headquarters.

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5. A military school which gave two-year courses in non-combat specialties to officer-candidates. Those who graduated were commissioned officers and those who did not attain certain academic grades were commissioned sergeants. All candidates for the school were required to be Komsomol members. Graduates were assigned to all arms and services of the Bulgarian Army, Navy, and Air Force. Among the courses offered were finance, motor mechanics, and supply.
6. An okrug polyclinic.
7. An agricultural institute was under construction and was to house two faculties. The agricultural and economic-technical faculties were to be located in the okrug polyclinic (Point 6) in September [redacted] Only the foundations of the agricultural institute were completed in [redacted] and the projects was to be finished by the end of [redacted]

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8. An infantry or artillery caserne which source believed was occupied by the 11th Infantry Regiment; source never entered the premises.
9. An artillery or infantry caserne which source believed was occupied by an artillery regiment of the 3rd Army. He never entered the premises and, therefore, could give no information on interior installations, equipment, or personnel.

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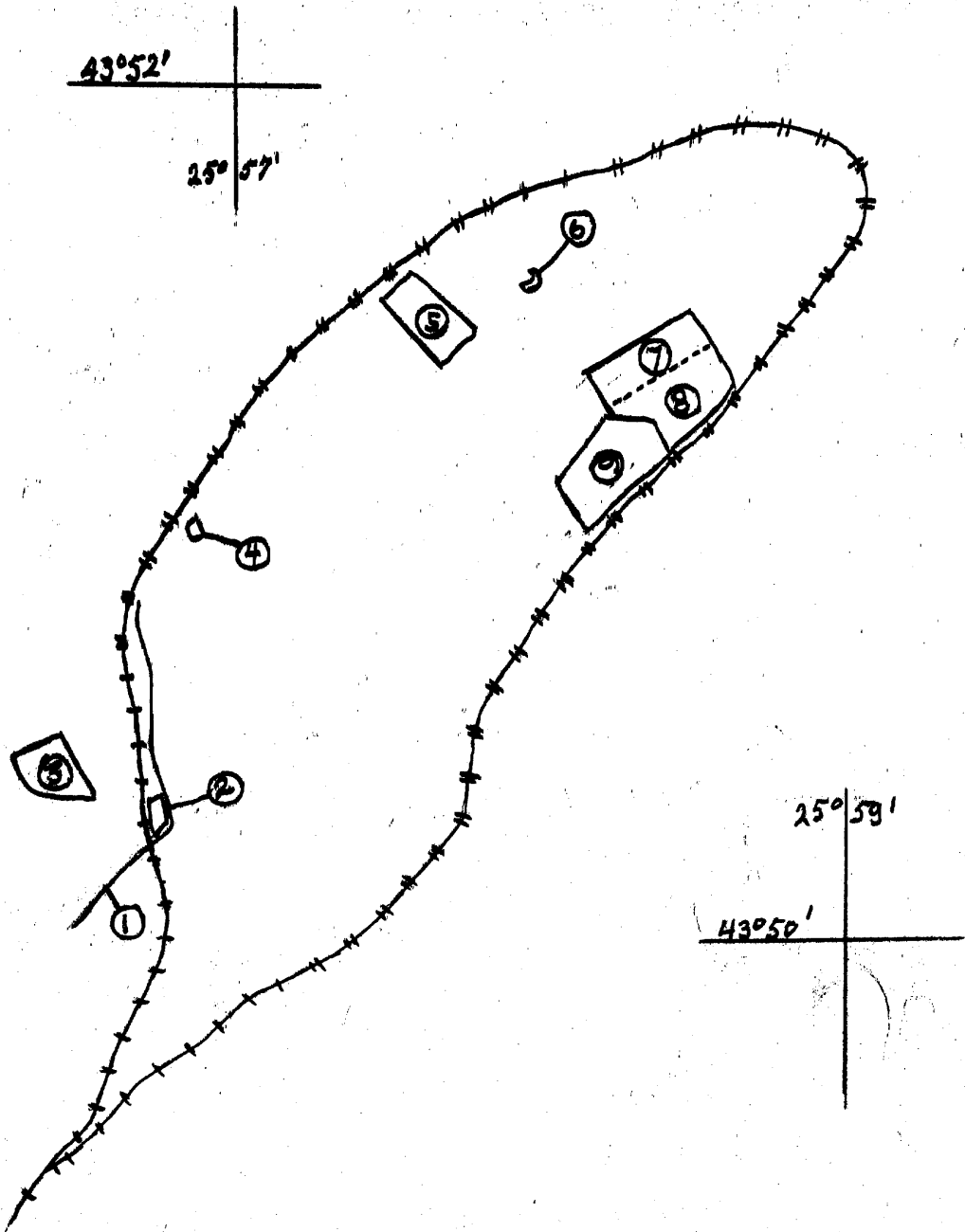


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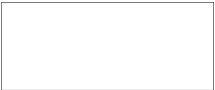
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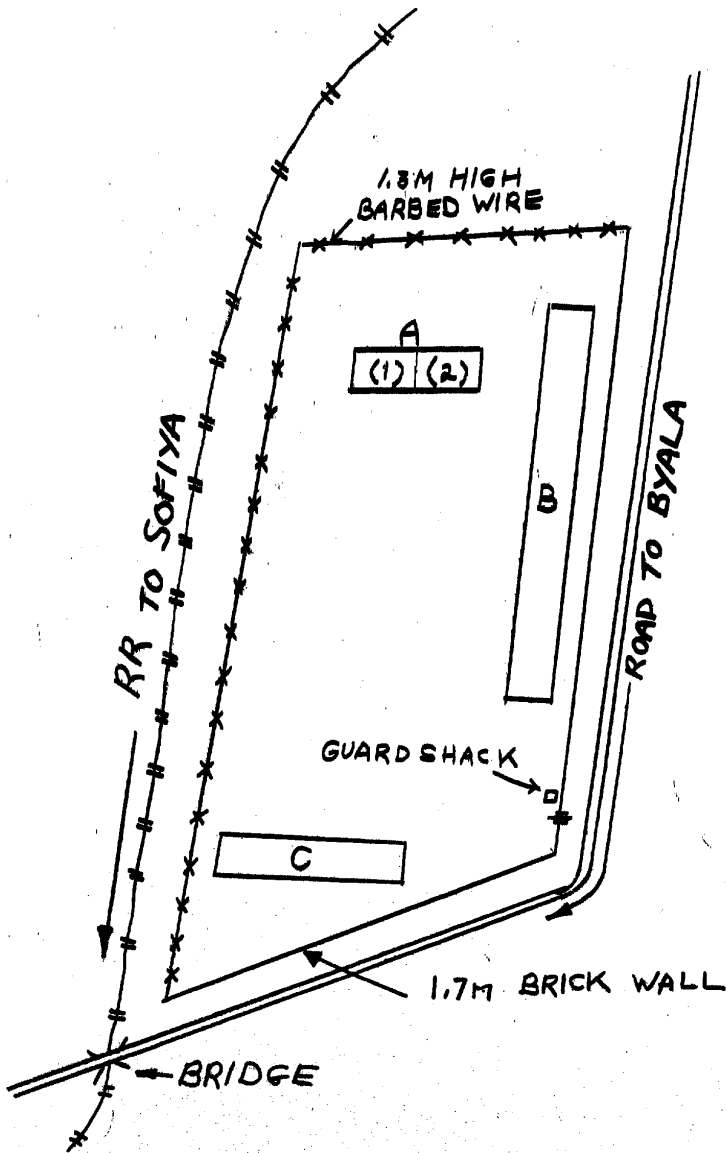
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Source's memory sketch of Bulgarian Naval Headquarters
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